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PRICE SIXPENCE.

On TUESDAY next the 17th inst. there will be
AN ASSEMBLY AT THE CAFE.

The doors to open at six, and Dancing to begin at seven o'clock.

Ladies tickets to be had of the Members as usual. Gentle-
men's tickets issued at the Shop of Mr William Reid, book-
seller on the Shore, Leith, at 3s. each, on producing an order from
a Subscriber. No tickets given out, or money taken at the
door.

FOUND,

On the 8th ultimo, in a Chair belonging to Mr Robert Whit-
field, of the Phoenix Inn, in Morpeth,

A SMALL PARCEL of PAPERS, in which was a Scotch
Bank Note.—Whoever has lost the same, may have it
again, by applying to Mr Whitfield, and proving it to be their
Property.

CHINA.

There is to be SOLD by public roup, by judicial authority,
in Laurie's (formerly Bernard's) Rooms, Thistle Street, on
Saturday the 14th day of December 1799, at twelve o'clock
noon,

SEVERAL Sets of Real Indian Table and Ornamental
S. CHINA.

JAMES BURN,

No. 24, east side, South Bridge Street,
RESPECTFULLY informs his Friends and the Public, he
is lately arrived from London, with a neat assortment of
Printed Cottons, India Muslins, Moles, Laces, Edgings, Straw
Hats, Stockings, Silk and Cotton Gloves, Silk Handkerchiefs.

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will be sold on very low terms: particularly, Black Modes,
Laces, Edgings, Muffs and Tippets, considerably below the
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Enquire at J. Burn, as above.

SALE OF BOOTS AND SHOES.

WILLIAM URQUHART, No. 12, South Hanover
Street, New Town, will commence a SALE of the
above articles (his own Manufacture), on Monday first the 16th
curr. at Reduced Prices, for Ready Money only; consisting of up-
wards of One Thousand Pair of LADIES and GENTLEMEN'S
SHOES; and few dozen Gentlemen's BOOTS. The Sale
will continue for one month.

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ment of HUSSAR and BROWN TEAPID BOOTS; Dress
and Walking SHOES, from Mr George Hobby, St James's
Street, London.

EDINBURGH, 11th Dec. 1799.

SUGAR, RUM, WINE, AND PIMENTA.

To be Sold by AUCTION,

Within the Assembly Rooms, Leith, on Friday the 13th
December 1799, at eleven o'clock forenoon—About
500 Hhds. JAMAICA RAW SUGARS,

3 Puncheons of RUM, out of Bond,

50 Bags of PIMENTA, and

10 Pipes of PORT WINE.

Samples to be seen at the counting-house of

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ON SALE,

STETTIN, Pipe, Hogshead, and Punccheon STAVES;
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SOME SHARES of the STOCK of the BANK OF SCOT-
LAND.

Apply to Archibald and John Tod, Writers to the Signet.

CANAL STOCK.

To be SOLD by public roup, for behoof of creditors, within the
Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, upon Wednesday the 15th day
of January 1800, betwixt the hours of one and two afternoon.

TEN SHARES of the ORIGINAL CRINAN CANAL
STOCK.

As the above Shares must be peremptorily sold off, for the en-
couragement of intending purchasers they will be exposed at the
price of L. 25 per share, being only one half of the original sub-
scription paid in January 1793.

For particulars, apply to John Willis, No. 1. North St James's
Street.

NEW CORDAGE FOR SALE.

To be SOLD by public roup, at the warehouse of Charles Cowan
and Co. Leith, on Thursday the 19th December current, at
twelve o'clock noon,

A BOUT Two and a Half Tons of new and well-manufac-
tured TARD CORDAGE, from one and a fourth to four
and a fourth inches, which will be exposed in whole or in lots, as
intending purchasers may incine.

The cordage may be seen on applying as above, and samples
thereof lie with Archibald McGuire, Esq. Greenock.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.

THE Copartnership in the Manufacture of Thread, Checks,
and Candle-wicks, carried on by John Reid and William
Yeoman in New Langholm, and George Irving in Old Langholm,
under the firm of REID, YEOMAN, & CO. was, by mutual
consent, DISSOLVED, on the 20th day of December 1799; and
the trade in these articles is now carried on at Langholm by the
said John Reid and George Irving, under the firm of REID and
IRVING.

Signed, JOHN REID,

GEORGE IRVING.

TO THE PUBLIC.

JAMES SAYER, late Groom to the Earl of Eglington, and
formerly with Mr Garden of Troup, and the late Lord
Falloo, proposes, for four months from this date, to BREAK
up such Noblemen and Gentlemen's Horses, and others, as
may be entrusted to his care, in and about Edinburgh; and may be
heard of at his own house, west end of Rose Street, or at
Mr Alexander McLaurin's, Cowgate Port, Edinburgh.

He hopes, from his character and recommendations, to give
satisfaction to those who are so good as employ him, by doing
every justice to their horses, and they may depend upon having
their horses well broke, and made steady and quiet to ride.

Edinburgh, December 7. 1799.

OAK WOODS.

To be SOLD by public roup, in the Inn at Callander in Mon-
teith, on Wednesday the 8th day of January next,

THE OAK, ASH, and WOODS on the Farms of
Culter, Stronsdale, and Woodend, in the parish of Balle-
quidder, and county of Perth.

Alexander MacLaren at Auchleskine, will show the Woods;
and the articles of roup and conditions of sale may be seen in
the hands of Mr MacEwen, No. 27, George Street.

NOTICE TO THE HERITORS OF THE PARISH OF
ECCLES.

IN the Process of Locality of the Stipend of the parish of
Eccles, the Lord Dunstan, Ordinary, by interlocutor da-
ted the 4th day of December curr. ordained the whole Heri-
tors of said parish to produce the rights to their Feuds in the
Clerk's hand, betwixt and the 4th day of January next, with
certification, that those failing, would be located upon as ha-
ving no right thereto.

MAT. SANDILANDS, W. S. Com. Agent.

Edinburgh, December 5, 1799.

STIRLINGSHIRE TURNPIKES—EASTERN DISTRICT.

A General Meeting of the Trustees appointed by the Act
of 34th of his present Majesty, "for making and repairing
several Roads leading across the County of Stirling," is to
be held in Tarrer's Inn, Falkirk, on Friday 27th December
instant, at 12 o'clock noon, when matters of most material
importance to the Trust will be brought under consideration.

12th December, 1799.

LITERATURE.

THE under-mentioned VALUABLE and IN-
TERESTING BOOKS have been published, since the
commencement of the present winter, by R. PHILLIPS,
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glected Biography, in one very large octavo volume, price 10s. 6d.

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last English and Irish Lotteries, it is requested that those who
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particular in directing to No. 16, Cornhill.

N. B. Very great encouragement will be given to Clubs,
Societies, &c.

STAMP-OFFICE, SOMERSET-PLACE.

DECEMBER 3. 1799.

WE, his MAJESTY'S COMMISSIONERS for managing
the STAMP DUTIES, duly authorised by the Lords
Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury, pursuant to Act of
Parliament, to Let to Farm the Duties granted by "An Act
of the 25th of this year, on HORSES, LET to
HIRE for Travelling Post, and by Time," do hereby give
notice, That we intend to LET, at our Office in Somerset Place,
the said Duties to Farmers, on Tuesday the 7th of January next,
between the hours of ten and twelve in the forenoon, accord-
ing to the Districts in the statements under-mentioned, and to
put the same up at the signs placed opposite to each, for the
term of Three Years from the 1st day of February next, to
such persons as may be willing to contract for the same.

All persons intending to farm the said Duties are to deliver
in their proposals to us, at the Stamp-Office in Somerset Place,
at least three days previous to the said 7th day of January next,
signed with their names, stating the places of their abode, and
specifying the District for which they intend to bid, or their
proposals cannot be proceeded on, as directed by the said Act.
No persons licensed to let Horses for the purpose of traveling
post, nor any persons for their use, can be admitted to con-
tract for the said Duties.

A Statement of the Districts for Farming out Post-Horse
& Duties.

No. District. Produce.

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2 Northumberland 3,508

3 Cumberland 8,106

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5 Lancashire 6,567

6 Cheshire 3,521

7 Shropshire 8,054

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE—December 7, 1799.
Copy of a letter from Admiral Lord Viscount DUNCAN, Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the North Seas, to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq. dated Yarmouth, the 3d inst.

SIR,
I TRANSMIT, for the information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a letter from Capt. Dunbar, of his Majesty's sloop Driver, giving an account of his having captured and brought in here this morning Le Barras schooner privateer, belonging to Dunkirk, manned principally with Danes and Swedes.

I am, &c. DUNCAN.

His Majesty's Sloop Driver, Yarmouth Roads, Dec. 3, 1799.

The early return of his Majesty's sloop under my command to this anchorage, from the service it was employed upon, has been occasioned by my wish to land fifty-seven French prisoners that composed the officers and crew of a very fine schooner privateer Le Barras, of fourteen guns, belonging to Dunkirk, out four days from Ostend, commanded by Citizen Frontenac; which vessel I captured (the Vigilant hired lugger in company) on the 30th ult. ten leagues N. W. of the Texel.

I am happy to add the had only made one prize, the Jane of Hull, from Sunderland, with coal for Embden; the master and part of the seamen I found on board the schooner, making in all sixty-seven in number.

I have the honour to be, &c. J. DUNBAR.

Admiral Lord Viscount Duncan.

Copy of a Letter from Admiral Lord DUNCAN, Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the North Seas, to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq. dated Yarmouth Roads, 4th December, 1799.

SIR,
I TAKE great pleasure in transmitting to you, for the information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a letter I have just received from Captain Temple, of his Majesty's sloop Jalousie, giving an account of his having captured the French lugger privateer the Fantasie, belonging to Dunkirk; which I had sent him in quest of on the 24th of last month, and have no doubt the uniform zeal and exertion of this officer will meet with due attention from their Lordships.

I am, &c. DUNCAN.

His Majesty's Sloop Jalousie at Sea, Nov. 30, 1799.

YESTERDAY I had the good luck to fall in with the privateer your Lordship sent me in quest of, and after a chase of five hours I captured her; she is a new copper-bottomed lugger, of fourteen guns and fifty men, called the Fantasie, of Dunkirk, and had the day before taken four loaded colliers, close in with Flamborough head; I determined to get towards Ostend, and this day I retook the Sally of Lynn, one of her prizes, the other I have great hopes of falling in with; I feel great pleasure in having refuted four masters and thirty-five British seamen from the horrors of a French prison. The lugger is just refitted, well stored, cost two thousand six hundred pounds Sterling, and I think well calculated for his Majesty's service.

I have the honour to be, &c. J. TEMPLE.

Right Honourable Lord Viscount Duncan,
Commander in Chief, &c. &c.

Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral LUTWIDGE, Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Downs, to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq. dated the 3d inst.

SIR,
I HEREWITNESS transmit, for the information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a letter I have received from Captain Lloyd, of his Majesty's sloop Racoone, giving an account of his having captured a French lugger privateer of fourteen guns and four swivels.

I have the honour to be, &c. &c. &c. S. LUTWIDGE.

His Majesty's Sloop Racoone, Dover Roads, Dec. 3, 1799.

SIR,
I BEG leave to acquaint you, that yesterday morning at day-light, Portree E. S. E. I fell in with a French lugger privateer, to which I immediately gave chase, and an hour after I had the satisfaction to capture her; she proves to be Le Vrai Decide, of fourteen guns, four swivels, and fifty men, (nine of whom had been left on shore when she failed,) commanded by Citizen Desgardi; belongs to Boulogne, out thirty hours, in company with three others, and had not taken any thing. His Majesty's ship Cormorant was in sight, and joined in the chase.

I have the honour to be, &c. &c. ROBERT LLOYD.

Steffington Lutwidge, Esq. Vice-Admiral of the Red, &c. &c.

Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral LUTWIDGE, Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Downs, to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq. dated the 5th inst.

SIR,
I HAVE the pleasure of transmitting, for the information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a letter which I have received from Captain Lloyd, of his Majesty's sloop Racoone, giving an account of his having captured on the 3d inst. L'Intrepide French privateer, of sixteen guns and sixty men, belonging to Calais. The Racoone anchored in the Downs this morning; and I have the satisfaction of learning from Lieutenant Coxwell, that the wound which Captain Lloyd has received in the head from a half-pike is not dangerous. He also informs me, that soon after the action the Stag cutter joined, and went in pursuit of the brig mentioned in Captain Lloyd's letter.

His Majesty's Sloop Racoone, Dover Roads, December 4, 1799.

I BEG leave to acquaint you, that yesterday at ten P. M. Dover north about five or six miles, I observed a lugger board a brig; I soon discovered her to be an enemy, and made all sail in chase; after a running fire of about forty minutes I laid her alongside, when we were received with a smart fire from the cannon and small arms, which was immediately returned with success; finding themselves unable to make any further resistance, bowsprit and fore-mast gone, they thought fit to strike. She proves to be L'Intrepide, of Calais, mounting sixteen guns and sixty men, quite new, commanded by Citizen Saillard, sailed from Boulogne four o'clock yesterday evening.

I feel myself much indebted to Lieutenant Coxwell (the only commissioned officer I had on board) for the great assistance I received from him, as well as the other officers and men for their attention in obeying my orders. It is with satisfaction I have to state (through Providence) that there is only one man wounded and myself slightly. The privateer has lost thirteen killed and wounded. I am sorry to state that the brig captured was the Welcombe, from London to Plymouth with mail; and it was out of my power to pursue her as I must have lost my foremast, all my foresails being

gone on the starboard side. It gives me particular pleasure to have deprived the enemy of a vessel which they considered the largest and best sailer from Calais; and have the honour to be, &c. ROBERT LLOYD.

To Steffington Lutwidge, Esq. Vice-

Admiral of the Red, &c. &c.

Copy of a Letter from Vice-Admiral LUTWIDGE, Commander in Chief of his Majesty's ships and vessels in the Downs, to EVAN NEPEAN, Esq. dated the 6th instant.

SIR,

INCLOSED I transmit, for the information of my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a letter which I have received from Captain Griffiths, of his Majesty's sloop Atalante, giving an account of his having yesterday morning captured a French lugger privateer, called the Succes, with six guns and forty-eight men, after first recapturing the brig Martha of London her prize.

And I am, &c. S. LUTWIDGE.

Atalante, at Sea, Dec. 4, 1799.

I HAVE the honour to acquaint you that this morning at half past eight, I observed a lugger in the S. W. hovering round and boarding a brig, to which I gave immediate chase; finding we came rapidly up, the cast off the tow rope, and at a quarter past eleven, I sent the master in the jolly boat, without heaving-to, to take possession of the brig, left without a soul on board; and continued the chase of the privateer, then four or five miles a-head; at four P. M. in a fair chase, I had the satisfaction to come up with and take her; Le Succes, of Boulogne, Francois Mathieu Blondin master, mounting six carriage guns, and 48 men; six days from Boulogne, and taking nothing else. I found the crew of the prize on board, and learnt her to be the Martha of London, Edward Lewington master, from London, bound to Belfast, laden with sundries, taken by the privateer last night, to the westward of Dungeness.

I have the honour to be, &c. &c. &c. A. J. GRIFFITHS.

Vice-Admiral Lutwidge, &c.

Commission in the Town for Edinburgh Regiment of North British Militia signed by the Lord Lieutenant.

Lieutenant William Murray to be Captain, vice Crawford, designated October 25, 1799. Ensign Archibald Armstrong to be Lieutenant, vice D. Wright, resigned. Dated November 25, 1799. Ensign William Carlyle to be ditto, vice Murray, promoted. Dated as above. Ensign David Blount to be ditto, vice Hay, resigned. Dated as above. Ensign William Wilson to be ditto, vice Logan, resigned. Dated as above.

DECEMBER 9.

On Thursday last the fleet under the command of Lord Bridport passed Plymouth sound, standing up Channel for Torbay.

Admiral Mitchell attended on Tuesday at the Admiralty for the first time since his return from the coast of Holland.

On Tuesday Mr Cox, the messenger, arrived at the Secretary of State's office, with dispatches from his Majesty's ambassador at the court of Peterburgh.

On Thursday Lord Blayney and Colonel Clinton arrived in town; the former from the Islands of Malta and Sicily, and the latter from Marshal Suwarow's head quarters, which were at that period settled at Augsburg. It is asserted that they brought dispatches of importance; and it is generally understood, that on the determination of the British cabinet much will depend as to the future operations of the Russian army.

Lieutenant General Hunter, who now commands the troops in Canada, sets out in the spring for his Government of the Upper Province, where he is to reside; and Major General Christie Burton, who was soon expected at Quebec, will command the troops in Lower Canada, under his Royal Highness the Duke of Kent, and have his head-quarters at Montreal.

A British Field officer is at present in this country, commissioned by a great Northern Potentate, to make a very large purchase of the best and most valuable horses which this country affords. Nothing but what is superlatively excellent meets with any degree of attention; but in those cases where they occur, the most liberal price is agreed to, and the money immediately paid.

On the 19th of October the 24th regiment of foot embarked at Quebec, and on the 21st of the same month sailed for Halifax, from whence it is to be sent to England.

The first division of the 34th regiment marched on Tuesday from Pool for Portsmouth, where they are to embark for the Cape of Good Hope. They are a very fine regiment of young men.

Saturday a deputation from the Irish merchants in the export trade waited upon Mr Pitt, by appointment, and represented the difficulties they are subjected to, in the commercial intercourse with that country, owing to the high exchange, which is now 15 instead of 8 per cent. to the usual average. The proposition made to the Minister, in order to obviate this inconvenience is, to receive one million of Irish bank notes in our Exchequer at the usual rate of the exchange, which Mr Pitt seemed extremely ready to assent to, but thought that some little premium should be allowed. He requested the merchants would meet him again on Thursday next.

The relief given to the West India merchants is in this way:—a merchant having a number of hogheads of sugar may have 300 per hhd advanced for two months, by drawing on one gentleman payable to another; and these two must shew at the Bank an affidavit of the sugar for sale. Thus on 300 hogheads of sugar he may have a bill for 900, discounted, and to be twice renewed, if in the interim the sugar shall not be sold.

A letter received from Le Tigre, dated Coast of Carmania, Sept 20, relates her arrival there, to provide wood and water, neither of which could be conveniently obtained in any other part of those seas, and that Captain Commodore Sir Sydney Smith and crew were in perfect health. Our account mentions that Buonaparte, whose retreat from Egypt was unknown on board Le Tigre, had entered into a treaty after the last battle, and been induced to conclude an exchange of prisoners, to the surprise of the Turks, whose system of mercy to persons whom the chance of war had thrown into their possession seldom extended beyond perpetual confinement in the galley.

This intelligence is further confirmed by a letter from Constantinople, Oct. 25, which, in addition to the generally gratifying report of Le Tigre, adds, that Lieut. Wright, the friend and companion of Sir Sydney in the Temple, who was stated to have died in Syria of the wounds which he received in storming the mines of Buonaparte, was recovered, and returned to his ship, to the great joy of all on board her.

S A N C E.

PARIS, 10 PRIMAIRE, — DEC. 1.

The Commission assembled, under the order of the Consuls, to deliberate upon the question—“Whether it be proper to establish a board of Admiralty in France?” have unanimously decided in the affirmative. The grounds of this decision are:

1. That the two fundamental divisions of the service of the Marine and Colonies, the Military and Administrative Departments, require talents and information particularly appropriated to each; that the knowledge necessary for each ought to be almost constantly combined, in order to produce any good consequence; and that the union of men well skilled in these two branches of service, may be expected a greater number of useful ideas than any individual has either time or power to conceive, and likewise such combinations in the application of those ideas, as will prevent the improvement of one branch of the service from retarding the improvement or development of the other.

2. That as instability to the plans of service, the mode of administration, laws and regulations, and in the choice of officers, has been one of the principal causes of the defeats of the navy, and the disasters of our colonies, a contrary effect ought to be expected from an order of things guaranteeing permanence of views, regularity of operation, maturity of reflection, and impartial justice, constituting an abundant source of security and emulation for individuals.

3. That the calculation of the funds necessary for the navy, their proper employment, their exact distribution, integrity in the examination of contracts, providence in the collecting of stores, the just application of resources to necessities, the superintendance of the employment of the materials, as well as an attention to the execution of the labour, and every thing connected with order, economy, and the improvement of the naval art, are the necessary and incontestable consequences of the establishment of a Board of Admiralty.

4. That as this establishment will subdivide among several persons having the same end in view, and actuated by the same spirit, the examination of plans, the collection of materials, the details of execution, and the signing of orders and dispatches, all of which devolve at present on one individual, the necessary result must be concert, precision and dispatch in every operation.

5. That, by means of the consideration and confidence which such a Board must create in the public opinion, it is possible to engraft on the Marine certain parts of the judicial order, which, from their connection with the discipline of the fleet, the security of the arsenals, and the great maritime and commercial interests of the Republic, ought to be under the immediate superintendance of a branch of the Executive Authority, having, at its special jurisdiction, the Department of the Marine and Colonies.

Having agreed that there ought to be a Board of Admiralty in France, the Commission, agreeably to the will of the Consuls, has next directed its attention to the basis of such an establishment. It so much the more zealously applied itself to this labour, as it was not ignorant that this principle, capable of producing great advantages, should the Admiralty be organized according to the ideas of the Commission, would produce none at all, and in fact would prove rather injurious than useful, if it confined itself to multiplying the wheels of the naval machine, without completely tempering the main-spring.

The Commission has carefully investigated the different institutions of the English marine, and the administrative systems of other foreign nations. It thinks that France ought, like England, to give the President of the Board of Admiralty, who alone communicates with the Executive Authority, sufficient influence and power to prevent deliberative bodies from, at any time, impeding the rapid progress of the Government in circumstances which demand rapidity, and likewise to prevent the divulging of its secrets.

Every part of the draught which follows, has accordingly been modelled with the positive intention of promoting order, economy, the improvement of existing institutions, stability of determination, and, in short, all the advantages which must necessarily and incontestably arise from the union of talents and inclinations with the energy and secrecy which certain measures require, and which the unity of the assent and the action can alone guarantee.

The mode of organization which the Commission has unanimously adopted, and which it is now to propose, is the one which, after mature examination, appears to unite all these advantages. This system likewise tends to give the Supreme Maritime Authority the pre-eminence and pre-ponderance and dignity requisite for exciting emulation, and restoring the marine to its former lustre and glory. It should be added, that this system of maritime administration can alone oppose an insurmountable barrier to a bribe, and the effects of intrigue and favour.

The Commission has not turned its attention to the sailors which ought to be allowed to the president, the other members, and the secretary of this board. That object, it was of opinion, would better form part of the plan of organization for the Admiralty.

Article I. There shall be established a Board of Admiralty in France.

This Board shall be composed of a President, six Members, and a Secretary, to be appointed by the Executive Government.

III. The President shall directly communicate with the Executive Authority, receive its orders, and lay them before the Board.

IV. Every question before the Board shall be determined by a majority of votes; the President shall have three votes, except in the cases specified in the 6th and 7th articles, in which he shall have no more than one.

V. The powers vested in the Board shall be the same as those at present exercised by the Minister of Marine and Colonies.

VI. The Board shall be the only tribunal of appeal—all sentences passed by naval and military Courts Martial, and other Courts instituted, or to be instituted, for trying offences committed in the ports and naval arsenals, in the bays and aboard all ships of war.

VII. It shall determine in the last resort all causes relative to naval prizes.

VIII. The Executive Authority shall appoint a Commissary and two Law-yers to assist the Board in the cases specified in the 6th and 7th articles.

IX. According to the decision of the Board of Admiralty, and except in the cases stated in the following article, two Members shall sign, and the Secretary shall countersign the instructions, orders and dispatches relative to all the military, judicial, scientific, administrative, economical or medical operations in the service of the Marine and Colonies; brevets and commissions of every kind; plans, accounts, and warrants of the generals and subordinate treasurers.

X. When especially authorised by the Executive Authority, the President shall singly sign the instructions given to the commanding or inferior officers of fleets, squadrons, or single ships of war, to the military or civil agents of the Executive Authority in the Colonies, and Commissaries for the temporary exercise of any rank or office.

XI. The Board of Admiralty shall organize the officers of the Central Administration of the Marine and Colonies, and appoint the principal and inferior officers in that department.

XII. The Board of Admiralty shall annually cause all the ports, and the different branches of the service in each port, to be inspected by delegates chosen out of the Board itself.

XIII. It may cause everything connected with its powers in the Colonies, to be inspected by temporary delegates not belonging to the Board.

XIV. The Members of the Board may be appointed by the Executive Authority to the command of fleets. In this case their functions as Members of the Board of Admiralty shall be suspended; but they shall resume them on their return.

XV. The number of the Members of the Board of Admiralty

assembled at the seat of Government can never be less than five.

XVI. The General and particular officers, and all officers commanding fleets, squadrons, divisions, or vessels of the Republic, shall render a direct account of their navigation to the Admiralty, on their return, or on their going into any port, and on all occasions during their cruise, when the information which they may have procured at sea, shall be of such importance as to require to be transmitted.

XVII. All the Captains of privateers and merchant ships shall transmit the like accounts to the Admiralty, on their return to the Republic, during their stay in foreign ports; and on every opportunity during their voyage, if circumstances require them to do so.

XVIII. All the Directors of the Customs shall likewise render an account, without delay, of the naval stores and commodities which may be in their districts from foreign countries, and make the same known to the proprietors or consignees of the said stores and merchandise.

XIX. All letters, dispatches, and accounts, formerly addressed to the Minister of Marine and the Colonies, shall be addressed to the Board of Admiralty, with the exception of directing this second superscription, to the President alone, communications respecting the Marine and Colonies, invalids, and prizes, bargains, and contracts of every kind, negotiations and demands for money, with the modes of application and warrants of payment, grants of leave of absence, letters of marque, and generally, every thing connected with commerce, fisheries, naval discipline, the execution of the laws, and the improvement of naval institutions. These signatures are indispensable to give effect to the orders or dispatches, which, according to the 10th article, cannot be opened but by their President.

BRIUS, THEVENARD, EGER, HANAN, DUMAIVIEZ-LEPESLEY. SANE, GAUTHREAU, PRO-LABOULAYE.

Paris,

SEQUESTRATIONS, &c.

Creditors of JOHN MORTON, Shoemaker in Kilmarnock, to meet in John Bryan's, vintner there, on the 27th December, at noon, to consider on an offered composition.

JAMES ROBERTSON & Co. Manufacturers in Glasgow, to meet in the Star Inn there, on the 25th December, at one P.M. to decide on an offered composition.

Lieutenant EVAN MACPHERSON, formerly at Cullachie, to meet in Robert Allan's, accountant, North St David's Street, Edinburgh, on the 20th December, at one P.M. to give instructions respecting important matters.

Examination of ALEXANDER SCOTT, Manufacturer in Glasgow, on the 27th December and 1st January, at noon, in the Sheriff Court-house there. — Creditors to meet in the Black Bull Inn, Glasgow, on the 21st January, to give instructions to the trustee. — Claims to be lodged before the 30th August.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

ARTHUR BUCHANAN, Tenant in Kirkcaldy. WILLIAM SCOTT MONCRIEFF, Accountant in Edinburgh, Trustee upon the sequestrated estate of the said Author Buchanan, requests a meeting of the said Creditors, in John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 25th December, at 12 o'clock noon, when matters of importance will be laid before them.

TO THE CREDITORS OF

NEIL MACGRUGOR, late Grocer and Drapier, Fisherman. All whom Neil MacGrugor stood indebted are requested to lodge their claims, with oaths of verity theron, with Doguid and Lawrie, merchants, Edinburgh, betwixt and the 1st January next. — Not to be repeated.

AT LEITH—FOR LONDON,

The Old Shipping Company's Small, LONDON AND BERWICK PACKET, JEREMIAH WARD Master. Will take in goods till Saturday evening, and sail on Sunday at two o'clock afternoon.



Old Shipping Company's Office, Leith.

Dec. 11. 1799.

AT LEITH,

For Kingston and Old Harbour, Jamaica, THE SHIP MORELL, ROBERT LIDDELL Master; AND

For Rio Puma, Martha Brae, and Montego Bay, THE SHIP LADY FORBES, DAVID GOURLAY Master.

Both vessels will be ready to take in goods the 1st of December, and will sail the 1st of January in company. The Moreland and Lady Forbes are provided with letters of marque, are well armed, copper sheathed, and have good accommodation for passengers.

Apply to WM. SIBBALD & CO.

N.B.—Clerks, Mechanics, Tradesmen in general, and those bound to Husbandry or Country Work, may go by the above ships on favourable terms.

SHIPS FOR SALE.

To be sold by public roup, within the house of John McKechnie, vintner in Greenock, on Friday the 20th inst. betwixt the hours of one and three o'clock afternoon, if not previously disposed of by private bargain, the Ship Lady Shaw Stewart, burthen per register 203 72-94th tons. The Ship Canada, burthen per register 205 49-94th tons. The Brig Britannia, burthen per register 131 4-94th tons. Inventories to be seen by applying to Alexander Dunlop, merchant, Greenock, factor on the estate, who is ready to treat for the sale of any of these vessels by private bargain.

GREENOCK, 31 December 1799.

For Black River, Savanna-la-Mar, Lucca and Green Island, JAMAICA, THE SHIP NEPTUNE, Captain BRADSHAW; AND, For Rio Burne, Martha Brae, Montego Bay, Lucca and Green Island.

The SHIP ELIZABETH, Capt. RASSIDE, now lying in this harbour, and will sail with the first convoy from Cork, or return from England.

For freight or passage apply to John Finlayson, Glasgow, or Campbell, Ruthven, & Co. here.

Wanted for Jamaica,

2 CARPENTERS, 2 COOPERS, and 2 MASONs,

Greenock, December 8, 1799.

Judicial Sale of Three Hundred and Forty Acres

OF THE

FOREST OF CULROSS,

CONSISTING OF WOOD OF FORTY-THREE YEARS OLD. To be exposed to SALE, by auction, on Thursday the 16th day of January 1800, within the Parliament or New Session House of Edinburgh, betwixt the hours of four and four afternoon, by authority of the Lords of Council and Session.

THREE HUNDRED & FORTY ACRES of the FOREST of CULROSS, consisting of FIR WOOD of forty-three years old, in the lots, and at the upset price following, viz.

Lots.	Measure.	Upset Price.
1.	6.520	1. 748 7 2
2.	5.120	591 16 5
3.	5.	480 19 6
4.	5.120	488 12 9
5.	5.880	560 1 7 5
6.	6.750	622 8 1
7.	6.900	588 19 7
8.	6.100	577 3 3 5
9.	6.60	559 8 10
10.	6.	555 14 11
11.	5.310	370 6 3
12.	5.500	447 4 0
13.	6.330	507 16 6
14.	6.730	606 2 10
15.	1.600	104 8 9 5
16.	7.050	435 19 7 5
17.	7.500	543 0 0
18.	7.	457 0 4 5
19.	4.400	214 17 9
20.	4.900	402 15 1
21.	4.800	400 18 0
22.	4.900	418 15 11 5
23.	53.600	4075 7 10
24.	31.920	2351 10 10
25.	64.120	3151 10 9 5
26.	45.30	2502 4 2
27.	13.	1187 4 4

The acre, at an average, contains about 3500 cubic feet of measurable wood, and 6000 running feet of pit wood. The measurable wood is only valued at 6d per cubic foot, and the pit wood at one farthing per foot. The Forest is situated within a mile and a half of the sea, and a good road is now making and pier building for the more readily transporting the wood when cut, for which purpose a proper time will be allowed.

The Forester will shew the premises; and the articles of roup, with a plan of valuation of the Forest, are to be seen in the office of Mr Bruce, depute clerk of Session, and Robert Watson, writer, Park-street, agent in the Sale, will furnish intended offerers with printed copies of a report of the value and different lots of the Forest, and give any other necessary information.

The Sale of this Wood has at different times been unavoidably delayed, but the Expenses have been so small that it will proceed as in the day advertised.

TIMBER AND HORSES FOR SALE.

To be SOLD by public roup, at Gartmore, upon Thursday the 19th December 1799.

A Considerable Quantity of TIMBER, consisting of Ash, Elm, Pine, Beech, Hornbeam, and Oak, mostly of a large size, great part of which is already cut down, and it will be exposed in lots to suit tradesmen.

Also to be SOLD (if not previously disposed of) four BLOOD HORSES, BROOD MARES, COLTS, FILIES, and HACKS. The timber is conveniently situated at little more than half a mile from the river Forth, by which it may be easily conveyed to stirring and other places to the eastward.

The sale will begin with the horces at ten o'clock forenoon; and further particulars may be learned by applying at the house of Gartmore, or to Peter Gordon writer in Gartmore.

ARM IN THE COUNTY OF PEEBLES.

TO BE LET.

For such a number of years as can be agreed upon, THE Valuable FARM of WAKEFIELD, lying in the parish of Linton, and county of Peebles, as presently possessed by William Paterson. The entry to the Farm to commence at Whitsunday next.

The tenants on the lands will show the farm.

For further particulars application may be made to Crawford Tait, W. S. Edinburgh, with whom offers may be lodged on or before the 1st of March.

TO BE LET.

For One Year from Candlemas next,

THE EXTENSIVE GRAZINGS of the KING'S PARK, comprehending the Hills of Arthur's Seat and Salisbury, the Low Grounds at the Wells of Wey, the Easter Riggs Park, the two West Parks, and the Duke's Walk. As also, the Meadow, from which the earliest cut grass in the neighbourhood is produced.

George Hums, the tenant, will show the grounds; and Joseph Cauvin, writer to the signet, will treat with any persons who incline to take the whole or parts of the premises.

ESTATE OF DRUM.

In the immediate vicinity of Edinburgh.

THESE LOTS of the foorsaid Lands and Estate, formerly advertised to be sold by public roup, still remaining unsold, will now be disposed of by private bargain; as to which application may be made to Charles Forzard, residing at Drum, or Robert Dundas, writer to the signet.

Edinburgh, 27th November, 1799.

KINCARDINE-SHIRE.

To be Sold by Public Roup.

THE ESTATE of NETHER BENHOLM, in the parish of Benholm, and county of Kincardine.

The time and place of sale, with other particulars, will be afterwards advertised. Intending purchasers may, in the meantime, be satisfied as to any information they desire, by applying to Alexander Burnett, Esq. of Gen. Carr, Sheriff-depute of Kincardine-shire, or Patrick Orr, Esq. of Bridgeton, near Montrose, two of the trustees appointed by the now deceased David Scott, Esq. late of Netherbenholm.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

SALE OF LANDS AND SUPERIORITIES

In the County of Dumfries.

On Thursday, the 30th day of January 1800, between the hours of one and three afternoon, there will be exposed to SALE by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffee-house, Edinburgh, the lands.

THE LANDS of BROOMHILL, lying in the parish of Lochnabenn, and near the Burgh. They are bounded partly by the Broomhill or Hallaths Lake, and partly by the River Annan and Water of Kintzel, in which the tenants exercise their right of Fishing Salmon and Trout without rent. — The extent of these lands is about 262 acres, and they are possessed by four tenants, who pay 12d of rent, under leases which expire at Whitsunday 1814. They are pleasantly situated, and very improvable. They hold of the Crown, and are valued in the cens-books at 172 merks.

II.—A DALE of CROFT LAND, and a STABLE, BARN, and YARD in the Borough Roads of Lochnabenn, presently possessed by John Miller and Robert Jardine.

III.—A SKAIR in Brow or Ward Part of the Ten Pound Land of Annan, and lying in the immediate vicinity of the town of Annan, possessed by John Smith.

IV.—The following FEU-DUTIES of LANDS and HOUSES in and about the Town of Annan, viz.

Feu-Duty, Sterling.

1. The Lands of Mounie's Close L. 2 12 9

2. The Houses possessed by William Elliot L. 15 0

3. The Houses possessed by the late Geo. Palmer L. 5 0

4. Houses possessed by William Stewart's dependents L. 0 0 0

5. Houses possessed by the said William Stewart's dependents L. 2 0 0

V.—The SUPERIORITIES of the following LANDS, and FEU-DUTIES payable for the same, viz.

Feu-Duty, Sterling.

1. Robgill, Broadle, and Blackyet, in the parish of Dornock L. 13 13 4

N. B.—These give a Freehold Qualification on the old extent.

2. Dunninghill, in the parish of Cummer-trees L. 0 2 4 12

3. Mossknow and Righends, in the parish of Kirkpatrick-Fleming L. 2 2 8 12

4. Stedhill, Herdhill or Hardhill, in the same parish L. 0 4 1 8 12

5. Todmuir, in the parish of Lochnabenn L. 14 5 8 12

6. Northfield, Hardrige, and Gulliehills, in the parish of Annan L. 0 6 8

The land will be shown by the tenants; and for further particulars application may be made to Mr William Stewart at Hillside, near Lockerbie; Mr Keith, accountant in Edinburgh; or Mr Crawford Tait, W. S. Edinburgh.—The articles of roup, title-deeds, and plans of the lands, will be shown by Mr Tait.

Those wishing to purchase by private bargain, may give in their offers between the day of sale.

SALE OF LANDS IN EAST LOTHIAN.

To be Sold by private Bargain,

THE very valuable Lands and Estates of FANTASIE, HOUSTON, HOUSTON-MILN, LINTON-MILN, EAST FORTUNE, MYRESIDE, and GOODFELLOWS LAND, lying in the county of Haddington, together in one lot; or, as several applications have been made for a division of the estates into lots, the proprietor will now treat for a sale thereof, in the following lots, viz.

LOT I. Comprehending the Lands and Estate of FANTASIE, lying in the parish of Prestonhaugh, on the south side of the river Tyne, and the Lands lying between the river and the estate of Smeaten, all as at present in the occupation of Mr George Rennie, with the Waulkmill of Houston, possessed by Andrew Meikle, containing 332 a. 1 r. 9 v. of very rich land, together with the Salmon-Fishings belonging to said lands.

LOT II. The Lands of Linton, with the Mill of Linton, at present under lease to Mr Rennie, consisting of 121 acres and 33 falls, with the feu of Linton and Common belonging thereto, all lying on the north side of the river Tyne, and within the parish of Prestonhaugh.

LOT III. The Lands and Estate of East Fortune, Myreside, and Goodfellow's Lands, lying in the parish of Atholstoneford, and consisting of 675 acres, as at present possessed by John and James Howden.

These Lands are delightfully situated in the richest and most beautiful part of East Lothian, and are in the highest state of cultivation. They lie about twenty miles from Edinburgh, and about five miles from Dunbar and Haddington.

The river Tyne divides lots first and second, on each of which there is a Mill, and a command of water, with an eligible situation for carrying on an extensive Manufactory, and the high road from Edinburgh to London intersects the property.

On Lot first there is a valuable Limestone Quarry, wrought by the tenant, affording an abundant supply of lime, not only for his own farm, but also for sale, and which the proprietor has also an unlimited power to work for his own account, on paying surface damage.

The greater part of the Village of Linton and a Distillery are situated on Lot second, and the proprietor, besides the 121 acres before mentioned, has right to a Common in the neighbourhood, containing 60 acres of very improvable land, subject to certain servitudes of pasture.

The tack duty of the above lands, which is at present only from goul. to tool, consists chiefly of wheat, barley, and oats, payable either in kind, or in the option of the proprietor, at the rate of the highest fairs for the county of Haddington, but as the subsisting leases were agreed on about forty years ago, and for grassums paid by the tenants, the present rent is no rule by which to estimate their value, as they would yield at least three times the present rent on the expiry of the leases.

On each of the Lots there are substantial Dwelling Houses and Farm Steadings, which belong to the proprietor, and there are several beautiful and most eligible situations for a Mansion.

It is supposed that there is Coal on each of the Lots, but particularly on Lot third, and were coals to be wrought on this estate, it would yield a very great rent to the proprietor.

The Lands of the Crown, and stand value in the cens-books at 21961 18s. 4d. Scots, affording five freehold qualifications within the county of Haddington.

The title deeds, rentals, and plans of the estates, may be seen in the hands of James and Alexander Frasers, writers to the signet; and any person desirous of purchasing by private